

To: Clatsop County Board of Commissioners

Cc: Gail Henrikson, Clatsop County Community Development

Dear Clatsop County Board of Commissioners,

We have owned property on the Oregon coast since 1986. (Cannon Beach and Arch Cape).

While we have never rented our properties, we feel very strongly about properties being used as Short Term Rentals. (STR)

In over 35 years we have experienced only 2 incidents from STRs that required a reach out to property owners. The issues were resolved within minutes.

The BIGGEST impact to our properties has been from “day trippers” who have thrown garbage over our fence, blocked our driveway and left dog waste without picking it up.

We have loved watching multi-generational families gather at STRs adjacent to our home to celebrate and enjoy the beach and coastal community together without paying for multiple hotel units at high costs. Prior to owning our beach properties, four generations of our families have rented STR's during coastal visits.

We testified when Cannon Beach was moving to limit rentals. We then watched homes sitting empty and unused. Often, these properties display not only a lack of use, but a lower degree of maintenance.

The amount of Staff time dedicated to this restrictive move is sad, considering where time and money could be spent supporting our County.

Please stop this repressive effort and deal with instituting compliance measures.

Sincerely,

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